COMMANDER IN CHIEF UNITED STATES EUROPEAN COMMAND



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MEMORANDUM FOR

COMMANDER, UNITED STATES AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
COMMANDER IN CHIEF, UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES EUROPE
COMMANDING GENERAL, UNITED STATES ARMY, EUROPE AND SEVENTH ARMY
COMMANDER, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS FORCES EUROPE
COMMANDER, SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND EUROPE

SUBJECT: USCINCEUR Policy Letter Number 00-4 (Joint Staff Integrated Vulnerability Assessments within USEUCOM)

- 1. Joint Staff Integrated Vulnerability Assessments (JSIVAs) are a valuable tool for assisting commanders in implementing comprehensive and effective antiterrorism/force protection programs. I expect commanders at all levels to maximize benefits of JSIVAs by being personally involved in the JSIVA process within their commands. Commanders must ensure subordinate commanders understand the JSIVA process, have access to reports from previous JSIVAs, and are provided command guidance on addressing antiterrorism/force protection vulnerabilities identified in vulnerability assessments.
- 2. Commanders must address all vulnerabilities identified during JSIVAs. Repeat vulnerabilities that have not been addressed by the commander are unacceptable. Although Commanders may realize that, unfortunately, not all vulnerabilities/AT seams may be 100% correctable, commanders must make every possible attempt to address and/or close seams where feasible. Programmatic and procedural solutions, both long and short-term, should be considered and implemented in a timely manner as appropriate.
- 3. We must maximize the benefits of the JSIVA process within USEUCOM to improve our antiterrorism/force protection posture, thereby enhancing the security of our personnel and their families.

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